

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Eric Williams on 6/28/2010.

Amendment to the claims

Please see the attached facsimile transmission submitted by applicants on 6/28/2010.

Rejoinder

2. The requirement for the restriction between the product and process claims set forth in the office action mailed on 2/6/2006 is withdrawn. All previously withdrawn process claims (claims 9, 11-13, 16-18, 20, 23-27, 29, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38-43, 58, and 64) are rejoined in accordance with the provisions of MPEP §821.04.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HONG SANG whose telephone number is (571)272-8145. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am-5:00pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Larry R. Helms can be reached on (571) 272-0832. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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